



KEY NOTES

e-newsletter of the Maryland War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission

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Pride to promote Maryland on North America trip



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The [Pride of Baltimore II](#) embarks Memorial Day weekend on a goodwill voyage that promotes Star-Spangled 200, Maryland's upcoming War of 1812 bicentennial commemoration. During the six-month trip, the Pride will visit dozens of port cities in the U.S. and Canada, including Detroit, Chicago, Toronto, Montreal, Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. View the [complete itinerary](#) on the Pride's web site. During the trip, the Maryland War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission will also post updates on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Online site features Upper Bay connections to 1812



A group representing Cecil and Harford counties has developed a new web site – www.upperbay1812.com – that features the history, people and places associated with the region's involvement in the War of 1812. Led by Sandi Maruchi-Turner, Tourism Coordinator for Cecil County, and Wini Roche, Tourism Manager for Harford County, the group includes representatives of Perryville, Port Deposit, North East, Charlestown, Earleville and Havre de Grace, and the Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway and Aberdeen Proving Ground. Upper Bay locations,

such as the Concord Point Lighthouse, Principio Furnace, Elk Landing and Rodgers Tavern are tangible links to the local stories that resonate from the Chesapeake Campaign of the War of 1812.

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[Smithsonian Resident Associate Program: The War of 1812: America's Forgotten Conflict](#)
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[Living American Flag Program](#)
May 24, 2011

[Secrets of a Seaport lecture series: 1800-1814, The Turbulent Waters](#)
May 25, 2011

[Secrets of a Seaport lecture series: 1812-1814, The War of 1812](#)
June 1, 2011

[Flag Day!](#)
June 11, 2011

[American Flag Foundation 2011 Flag Day and Annual National Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance](#)
June 14, 2011

[North East Flag Day Ceremony](#)
June 14 2011

JPPM offers free 1812 audio tour

Archaeology students at Huntingtown High School in Calvert County have prepared an audio tour of [Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum](#) (JPPM) that illustrates the impact of the War of 1812 in Southern Maryland. The tour, 1812 Remembered, will be available by cell phone (410-246-1966) to JPPM visitors – free of charge, seven days a week – starting May 21. Huntingtown students researched, wrote and recorded the tour. JPPM is located on the banks of St. Leonard Creek, where in June 1814, Commodore Joshua Barney's flotilla engaged the British navy during Maryland's largest-ever naval battle.

1812 music site releases new editions

Maryland's [Colonial Music Institute](#) has recently published sheet music editions of The Star-Spangled Banner and The Anacreontic Song that are available for download on its web site at \$1.99 each. Composed for a London social club in the 1770s, The Anacreontic Song is likely the melody that Francis Scott Key had in mind when he wrote his famous lyrics, according to the institute's David K. Hildebrand. The sheet music for both songs is also available at the Smithsonian Museum of American History, Fort McHenry and other locations. [E-mail](#) the institute for wholesale ordering information, or call 410-544-6149.

Museum prepares 1812 firefighting exhibit



The [Fire Museum of Maryland](#), located in Baltimore County, plans an upcoming exhibit to depict how volunteer firefighters in Baltimore promoted fire safety during the War of 1812 era – a time when buckets and blankets were the first line of defense. Volunteer fire companies, which existed prior to the war, will be highlighted. In honor of the 250th anniversary of Mechanical Company No. 1 in 2013, the museum will display rare artifacts provided by private collectors that relate to this company. Also, the museum is completing the restoration of an 1806 hand-drawn pumping engine

(pictured) that was started 20 years ago by members of Independent Company No. 2 of Annapolis. This piece of equipment is the only fire engine in Maryland known to have been in service during the War of 1812.

Featured Site

Darnall's Chance



After setting fire to Washington, D.C., British troops marched back to their anchored ships at Benedict by going through Upper Marlboro. Town locals arrested several British stragglers and put them in jail. A British contingent returned to Upper Marlboro and snatched three American hostages in anticipation of a prisoner exchange. John

Recent News

[Havre de Grace Continues Downtown Improvements](#), *Harford Business Ledger*, May 6, 2011

[Officials tell park service they want comprehensive trail](#), *SoMdNews.Com*, Apr. 27, 2011

[Maryland School for the Deaf holding auction of vintage items to benefit Hessian Barracks](#), *The Republic*, Apr. 20, 2011

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Upcoming Grant Deadlines

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National Endowment for the Humanities

[Preservation and Access Research and Development](#)

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National Endowment for the Arts
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National Education Association
[NEA Foundation Grants](#)

National Trust for Historic Preservation

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National Archives National Historical Publications and Records Commission
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Links



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Hodges, a wealthy merchant who lived at Darnall's Chance, reluctantly facilitated the exchange. He later became the only known American to be tried for treason during the War of 1812. He was found not guilty.

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